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For: DRIVER STRUCTURE OF STAPLER)		

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449 and in addition to the documents cited in the PTO-1449 filed on November 13, 2006. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final action or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) with the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2). Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration of relevant portions thereof by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

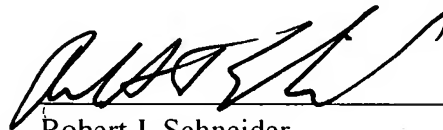
With regard to the translation of the listed Non-Patent Document, namely, an Office Action from the corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. JP 2002-210923, it is noted that although a translation thereof into English is not included with this information disclosure statement, a translation of this communication from the Japan Patent Office is available to the U.S. Patent Office, through the Dossier Access System. Should this translation be unavailable to the Examiner, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned to assure that the appropriate information is available for consideration.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2) and § 1.17(p) to the Deposit Account No. 50-0305 of Chapman and Cutler LLP. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional required fees, or credit any overpayment, associated with the filing of this statement to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305.

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